

### REMARKS

Applicants have amended their claims to add new claims 18-35 to the application. Of these newly added claims, claim 18 is dependent on claim 1; claim 19 is an independent claim; and claims 20-35 are dependent ultimately on claim 19.

Claim 18, dependent on claim 1, recites that the protecting film is a film that can be removed at a time of lamination of the photosensitive film on a substrate.

Independent claim 19 recites a photosensitive film including a photosensitive resin layer and a film stuck onto the photosensitive resin layer, this film having a maximum number of specified fish eyes and being a film which is to be removed at a time of lamination of the photosensitive film on a substrate. Claim 20, dependent on claim 19, recites that the photosensitive film has a further film on a side of the photosensitive resin layer opposite the side having the fish-eye containing film thereon; and claims 21 and 22, each dependent on claim 20, respectively defines relative adhesive strengths of the film and further film to the photosensitive resin layer, and recites a thickness of the further film.

Claim 23, dependent on claim 19, defines a resin composition of which the photosensitive resin layer is made, this resin composition including a specific binder polymer, a specific monomer and a photopolymerization initiator. Claims 24 and 25, each dependent on claim 23, respectively further defines the binder polymer, monomer and photopolymerization initiator, including amounts thereof, and recites that the binder polymer contains methacrylic acid as a constituent

monomer. Claims 26 and 27, each dependent on claim 23, respectively further defines material of the monomer and further defines the photopolymerization initiator.

Claims 28 and 29, each dependent on claim 19, respectively recites that the film is a polypropylene film, and recites that the photosensitive film is a film for use in a metal etching process; and claim 30, dependent on claim 19, recites a viscosity of the photosensitive resin layer. Claim 31, dependent on claim 19, recites a thickness of the film stuck onto the photosensitive resin layer. Claim 32, dependent on claim 19, recites that this film is a film removed at a time of lamination of the photosensitive film on a substrate.

Claim 33 defines a process for laminating a photosensitive film on a substrate, including laminating the photosensitive film of claim 19 on a substrate, while removing the film stuck on the photosensitive resin layer. Claim 34 defines a laminated substrate obtained by the process of claim 33; and claim 35 defines a process for curing a photosensitive resin layer, including exposing the laminated substrate of claim 34 to light.

In view of the foregoing, entry of the present amendments, and of the amendments in the Preliminary Amendment filed April 12, 2000, and examination of the above-identified application on the merits in due course, are respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136. Please charge any

shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 500.38296X00) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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